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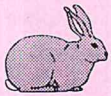
"now that you've finished fighting, dear,
would you mind helping me pack up camp?
we have to be offsite in an hour."

-Rashiqah



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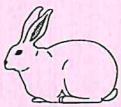

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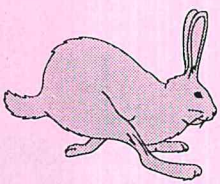

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calendar of events

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1 - Medieval Society Demo at CSU, 10 AM - 2? PM, Pan 495-1089 22
2-3 - Crown Tournament (Glen Medonach) Bethan (505) 623-4581 17
3 - FIGHTER PRACTICE, 1PM - 4PM, Spring Creek Park, Tuman (303) 484-1087 23
5 - Dún Bólacht Gathering, 6 PM, Heath Jr. High, Lughbec (303) 353-6782
7 - ARCHERY PRACTICE, 5PM - 7PM, Rosalind (303) 667-1284 23
9 - BLACKSMITHING GUILD, 9:30am, at Thorfinn's (303) 667-1284 16
9 - Guild Gathering, 10 AM, Rosalind (303) 667-1284 16
10 - FIGHTER PRACTICE, 1PM - 4PM, Spring Creek Park, Tuman (303) 484-1087 23
11 - DANCE PRACTICE, 7PM - 9PM, 220 EastOak, Catriona (303) 669-1754 23
12 - Dún Bólacht Gathering, 6 PM, Heath Jr. High, Lughbec (303) 353-6782
14 - ARCHERY PRACTICE, 5PM - 7PM, Rosalind (303) 667-1284 23
16 - Mundane Birthday Party, 10 AM - 10 PM, Lughbec 353-1754
16-17 - Sworded Affair (al-Barran) Shinar (505) 343-8830 18
17 - FIGHTER PRACTICE, 1PM - 4PM, Spring Creek Park, Tuman (303) 484-1087 23
18 - *****OFFICER'S MEETING*****, 7 PM, 622 Whedbee, Fort Collins
19 - Dún Bólacht Gathering, 6 PM, Heath Jr. High, Lughbec (303) 353-6782
21 - ARCHERY PRACTICE, 5PM - 7PM, Rosalind (303) 667-1284 23
23-24 - Dragonsspine Collegium, Tiegr (719) 630-8332 19
24 - FIGHTER PRACTICE, 1PM - 4PM, Spring Creek Park, Tuman (303) 484-1087 23
25 - DANCE PRACTICE, 7PM - 9PM, 220 EastOak, Catriona (303) 669-1754 23
26 - Dún Bólacht Gathering, 6 PM, Heath Jr. High, Lughbec (303) 353-6782
27 - University of Caerthe, 7:30 PM, Robin Vinehall (303) 444-5004 17
28 - ARCHERY PRACTICE, 5PM - 7PM, Rosalind (303) 667-1284 23
30 - Demo at Ben Delatour, Tracker (303) 568-9732 16

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7-8 - Coronation (Scorpions Hollow) Kaylin (505) 359-2713 20
27-29 - Brigands Bizarre VI (Unser Hafen) Aedhan (303) 568-3950 21
25-30 - Grand Outlandish XXI (al-Barran) Gunwaldt (505) 299-2476 18

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23-24 - Baronial All Thing - Medhbh (303) 568-3950 20
30 - Unser Hafen Defender, Takashi (303) 498-0798

Submission deadline is the 15th of the month for event announcements, articles, and artwork. Officers reports are due at officers meeting unless other arrangements are made beforehand.

Cover art by Melisende Barlais d'Outremer with caption by Lady Rashiqah.

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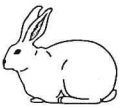
From the Baron



Failte,

Kingdom law states that the Crown will solicit recommendations for my replacements from the populace of Unser Hafen, then either the Crown or their representatives will conduct a polling at an event that has been published in the Outlandish Herald. Well, last month Unser Hafen decided that our input to the Crown would be to suggest Sir Titus and Her Ladyship Llamrei as me replacements. I feel that I should remind everyone that our decision is only our suggestion to the Crown, teh Crown is free to disagree if it so chooses. The most probable course however will be for the Crown, or more likely, the Crown's representative; the Kingdom Seneschal, to canduct a polling as noted abouve to make sure that the candidates have the solid support of the Barony. This polling will in all liklihood be held in May, after our new King and Queen have been crowned. I don't have that date yet, so stay tuned to the Tosspot and the Outlandish Herald for when it will occur. I hope that this clears up any confusion about this process.

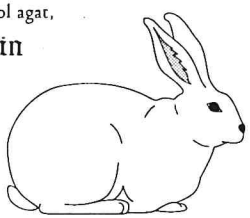
Very soon now Lady Tehri will be asking for volunteers to hwlp with the manifold and various jobs that will need to be done for our second investiture. Lets make this one even better than the last! I look forward to the results.

In April we aare having no events, so please take this time to travel to the other groups in the area and abroad to sample their hospitality and enjoy going to an event where you need not work! In May is Brigand's Bizarre, run this year by Lord Aedhan and Lady Medhbh, it promises to be fun for everyone, read up on it!

Have fun everyone!

Fad Saol agat,

Kevin



UNTO THE POPULACE OF THE BARONY OF UNSER HAFEN, GREETINGS FROM SIR TITVS AND THE LLAMREI.

Thank you for all your support and kindness. Unser Hafen has given us so much over the last years; now perhaps we can give back some small measure of that love and energy. Let us all rally together under our portcullis banner and make this another investiture for the record books. Special thanks to Sir Kevin for his inspired and inspiring leadership. No one can ever fill his boots.

In service to the Barony and Kingdom,

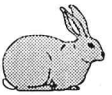
Llamrei

TITVS CLAVDIVS SEVERVS

Unto the populace of Unser Hafen & Dun Bolacht:

We want to congratulate Llamrei & Titus as our next Baron and Baroness. We encourage everyone to share their ideas and thoughts with them so the Barony can prosper. We also want to say that we greatly enjoyed the last few months, meeting new people and sharing ideas with them. Thank you all for your kind words and friendship.

Gerald & Madeleine



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Equs Titus-
Amicitia non semper intellegitur, sed sentitur
Veritas saepe non scitur, quod studium eius est difficile.
Bonus Fortuna!

Lord Aedhan and Lady Medhbh

Lady Rashiqah and Lord Tuman wish to offer unto the gentle populace of Unser Hafen heartfelt and joyous congratulations! As you all know, the populace held an informal polling to determine our recommendation for Baron and Baroness to the Crown of the Outlands. Your voice was heard and the popular vote spoke for the Honorable Lady Llamrei Aethnen and Eques Titus Claudius Severus. These fine gentles have been with our group for many years and are emminently qualified to represent and guide us in all matters of state. We also wish to offer thanks for the opportunity to volunteer for this position and to thank those of you who spoke for us. It speaks highly of our barony that the populace can join together during this potentially volatile period, rather than fragmenting and fighting amongst ourselves. We whole-heartedly support your choice for our new Baron and Baroness and look forward to continuing our service to the barony.

Long live Unser Hafen!!

officer's reports

GREETINGS FROM THE SENESCHAL

A hearty congratulations to THL Llamrei and Sir Titus for being named heir apparent to Baron Kevin. I personally would like to thank all the candidates for their willingness to stick their necks out for public scrutiny and for being willing to talk with all the people. Many good ideas and suggestions were discussed during the last few weeks, if you have any that you are especially fond of please let me or the others know. This is an excellent chance for the populous as a whole to refocus on what is good about the Society and great about Unser Haven. Keep working together, people and we will always be a dynamic, exciting place to "Follow The Dream".

A small part of Saturday, the 19th's discussion centered around the actions of the Board of Directors. We didn't come to any great conclusions, although several people's specific questions were addressed. The Board has had three of the members resign, including the Chairman. The Board has appointed three people to take their places, two of which had served as Board Members in the past. The major conclusion drawn Saturday night was for individuals to gather their thoughts and write to the members of the Board, to the Crowns, and the Society Officers (don't write the Clerk's or Registrar's Office, they can't do anything and they need to do their work in spite of what is going on else where.) See the names and address of the Board of Directors elsewhere in this Tosspot. It is important for these people to know that there is a concerned and interested populous out in the Known World.

To continue the discussion from last month, I'd like to outline the structure of the Society for Range Management. The SRM is incorporated as a 501(c)3, Non-Profit Education Association in Colorado. The SRM is divided into 21 Sections which includes a Section in Mexico. Each of the Sections (like our Kingdoms) govern themselves, most are incorporated, have an elected President and Board of Directors. They determine the specifics of how the Section is run. The International Society is headed by an Executive Vice-President, who is in charge of the business end of the SRM. The SRM elected Board of Directors consists of a President and 2 vice-presidents. The President is elected as the 2nd Vice President and serves 1 year in that capicity, 1 year as 1st Vice President, and 1 year as President. The six Directors are elected to serve 3 year terms with 2 being elected every year. SRM has tried using Executive Vice-Presidents that were not members or employed in Range Management. These directors were failures. They could not communicate with the membership or with outside interested parties.

Enough for now, Yours in Service,

THL Theresea die Tanzerin

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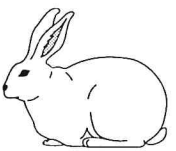

Treasurer's Report

Greetings to the populace of the Barony!
The balance of our funds at officer's meeting was $

Yours in service to the Barony and the Society,

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE HERALD

Unto the populace of the Barony of Unser Hafen. Milady Deidre sends greetings, this 27th day of February.

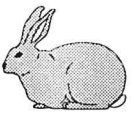
Unto the populace of Unser Hafen, Lord Aedhan and I are looking for a deputy or deputies. Please if you are interested in this office contact either Lord Aedhan or myself.

My address is Deidre c/o Della Ravnsborg, P.O. Box 66, Wellington, CO 80549.
Phone# 568-9732.

THE COST FOR SUBMISSIONS IS $9.00 FOR NAMES AND $9.00 FOR DEVICES OR BADGES.

THE SUBMISSIONS OF GENTLES WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE BARONY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

AT LAUREL:
Hancarata Aethnen filia Cuneddae - badge
Dún Bólacht - name and device
Mark de Saint-Saveur-le-Vicompte - name
Ceindrych de Costaine - name resubmission



AT KINGDOM:
Cala of Savatthi - device

NEW SUBMISSIONS:
No new submissions.

RESUBMISSIONS:
Robin Spenser of Bristol - name
Aedhan Brecc - device

Thus ends my report,
In service to His Excellency,

Diédre

Barbican Pursuivant (Acting)

From the Chronicler

As you can see from the cover, Lady Rashiqah won the cover art contest. Congratulations! It should be obvious that this is the special April issue. Once again I ahve filled it with rabbits for the benefit of our illustrious baron. Also, I have many new fonts to use and I used most of them in this issue. I hope this added some variety, in addition to the rabbits that is. Hm! I wonder how many I have put in here? Anyone care to count them? Well, I'm sure you'll hare from me next month. Iechyd da!

Lord Robin

Unto the Populace of the Barony of Unser Hafen

April will mark the return of fighter practice to Spring Creek Park. This year I intend on occasionally moving fighter practice to a more public location. On these occasions, it will be necessary to police ourselves and the mundanes more carefully. While it is rather nice to have an area where few mundanes wander through and get in our way, it is not very conducive to gaining new members. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please contact me. I will try to arrange for the dates and times to be published in the Toss Pot, and if not, a sign will be left at the spring creek park site. I would also like to add that travelling to other groups fighter practices will help us all in the long run. When their populace sees our fighters at their practices, they will most likely consider traveling to our practice.

It is my goal, nay, my duty to increase the fighting prowess of our barony. To that end I will again try to institute a few drills at the beginning of future fighter practices. While they are not mandatory, I would appreciate the participation of each and every one of you. We have several in-experienced fighters who need your help. By helping to teach the fine gentles, you will help them to become better fighters and yourself to become more consistent in your own fighting. They won't take much of your time, and they will even be enjoyable since many will take the form of a game.

As for Marshalling, we are in pretty serious need of some responsible individuals who will willing to marshal melees and tournaments this year. I hope to have several new marshals for Brigands Bazaar this year, since that event is always in need of more marshals.

In closing, I would like to add that it is very important that you fight with different people each practice. As I look around each practice it seems that I see the same people fighting. If you don't like to fight someone, there's probably a good reason. If there is, tell them what makes you uncomfortable fighting them and ask them to change their fighting behavior while fighting/teaching you. If you just don't like losing all the time to that person, ask them how they are beating you and how to defend against it. Any fighter worthy of the breath to say "Chivalry" or "Honor" will tell you how to beat them if asked. They will be flattered, and you will learn something.

And remember, Never Stop in Range!

Tuman

Attention Fighters!!!!

At the Guild Gathering THL Llamrei will be conducting a marshalling class and Lord Sean will be conducting a Field Heraldry class.

Unto the good gentles of Unser Hafen greetings.

I have several small pieces of news this month and one reminder regarding the upcoming Defender event. The first piece of news is that Don Maximilian of Caer Galen was named the new Marshall of Fence for the Outlands at Crown Tournament this month. Don Maximillian is a superior fencer who has been heavily involved in fencing in the Outlands since its inception. In fact, he was the first cadet ever made in the Outlands; he was also the first cadet to be given the White Scarf in the Outlands. I encourage you to give him your support and input regarding fencing.

Also, I have made a slight policy change regarding borrowing the loaner gear for something other than fighter practices. When I give someone loaner gear for them to take to another event, practicing at home, etc., I seem to end up spending quite a bit of time getting it back. Unfortunately, I don't really have that much time to spend chasing down equipment. So, if you want equipment to show up at an Unser Hafen/Dun Bolacht event, let me know ahead of time, and we'll work out a way to get it there. If you want equipment to show up at an out-of-town event, let me know ahead of time. If I'm going, I'll bring it for you. Otherwise, the loaner gear will not go to events. Of course, it will always be a fighter practice for your use. This policy mimicks the current policy for the heavy weapons loaner gear.

Finally, for those of you thinking of fencing at Defender, please get some practice time in! I would really hate to see someone hurt because calibrations and range were off from lack of practice time. Also, for those of you not currently authorized, it may take a few tries to get to an event where there is a marshall in attendance to authorize you. Plan ahead - July is coming up faster than you may think!

Yours in service to the Dream,

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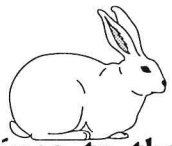

Greetings to the Populace of Unser Hafen from the Office of the Scribe

March has been a very productive monthe for this office. Quill cutting and flat gold leaf classes were taught at Kingdom Arts and Sciences Collegium by myself, and there, Lady Lughbec's beautiful promissory AoA was presented to non other than Lord Conchobhar (congratulations!). At the Dún Bólacht Arts College, Lady Cala taught classes in calligraphy while I taught an overview of illumination. There were many interested individuals, and if you did not get a chance to attend classes or want to learn more, please feel free to contact me and I would be delighted to get together with you individually or connect you up with a mentor in you area of interest. Please note you should not feel obligated and won't be expected to turn in scroll assignments if you contact me (this is, afterall, an educational organization and part of my job is to teach anyone interested in learning more about calligraphy and illumination), so if you are simply interested in the scribal arts, give me a call. One last note, milady Zanthe's very first promissory AoA scroll was given to Lord Kadan (congratulations too!) she did a wonderful job.

Yours in service to Unser Hafen and the Outlands,

L. Madeleine

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PLEASE remember that these are people with lives, jobs, and often small children. Be cautious if calling later at night.

II. SCA, Inc. Directors Addresses and Who Voted for What? Four directors voted for pay-to-play:

Tim Moran, Chairman, 1172 Nottingham, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230
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A. J. Riviezzo (Giovanni), 2323 South Troy #210-D, Aurora, CO 80014

L. Jane Richards, 2925 South 7th Street West, Missoula, MT 59801-2021

Two directors voted against pay-to-play, but voted for the change in the bylaws that made that policy possible:

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(resigned 2/7/94)

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The Executive Director of the Society, at the address above, is: Mr. Tony Provine
Please write to the Board as a body and as individuals and let them know how you feel about their recent decisions.

The Deputy Officers of Unser Hafen
in service to the incipient canton of

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834-2949

Failte ui Chealleigh to the barony from its base of bovine bardic bounty. How, you ask, can anyone produce this never ending stream of flatulent fantasy? Some people say there is no easy answer. These people are called "Therapists." Others say it is the product of a sick mind. These people are called "normal." Yet another group uses the word "plagiarism." These are hard faced people with legal secretaries and are called "lawyers." The truth of the matter is that we of Dún Bólacht have learned a lesson from the most humble by-product of our great herds. Manure can be piled into great heaps and just stink or it can be spread around to make beautiful flowers. What I try to do is spread it around a little. So, in the words of the immortal bard, "One more into the breach, dear friends..."

Allergicus Udderus, our many storied hero, was sailing into the Middle Sea once again. Ah to be at sea with the wind in you face and the bill collectors far behind! Much had changed since last he sailed the Middle Sea. The Roman Empire, fruit of Aeneas, was no more (please don't tell Sir Titus, he would be terribly disappointed). It had collapsed under the onslaught of barbarian invasions, plagues, civil wars, and a critical shortage of duc tape. In the place of the imperium was Islam. The Catholic Church was a power, as were a number of German or Slavic principalities, and the Byzantine Empire. Islam, however, was the great power of the Mediterranean and it was there our hero went.

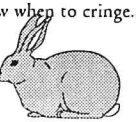
It was a time of intellectual ferment and discovery. Scholars in the Islamic world cataloged the stars, developed algebra, explored oceans and mapped the world. Our hero contributed to this harvest of knowledge as he journeyed through Africa. He discovered that there is enough sand in North Africa to actually cover the entire Sahara Desert. He also conducted experiments where he discovered that it is impossible to travel faster than light because you hat keeps blowing off. These bemusing discoveries catapulted him into the favor of the great caliph Khelog al'Bran.

It has not yet been mentioned that the caliphate was, perhaps, a bit past its prime. Khelog al'Bran epitomized his generation. He was a man who personalized the maxim that for every action there is an equal and opposite government program. He was a man who sometimes stumbled upon the truth but nonetheless picked himself up and continued on his way. He was a man who put Allergicus in charge of his fleet. In his favor it must be said that he was not a sea faring man himself and Allergicus had a *really* impressive resume.

The fleet's target was Constantinople, the largest and wealthiest city in the world, the center of culture and arbiter of hemlines. Constantinople has been the goal and dream of Islam since its inception. Some historians attribute this to jihad, holy war. Other point to the draw of Constantinople's fabulous wealth. The truth of the matter was that it was fashion and harems. Christianity had long frowned on polygamy because, as Jesus said, "no man can serve two masters." Islam, however, institutionalized multiple wives and even more multiple concubines. Now whereas this saved a lot of alimony it did tend to drive up clothing allowances, especially when you consider that a caliph had to maintain appearances. There was also the "nag" factor. Did I mention that Constantinople was arbiter of hemlines? Oh yes, well, war was inevitable.

Allergicus Udderus, paragon of naval platitudes, commanded the fleet as it neared Constantinople. It was enormous, it outnumbered the Byzantine fleet by more than three to one. I was manned by fierce warriors motivated by visions of jihad, plunder and fierce wives back home. How could it fail to conquer? The unfortunate fact is that Allergicus thought that "Greek Fire" was a Byzantine cocktail. The rest is too painful to relate.

The fleet was defeated and had to retreat ignominiously. The Turks, who by this time made up the vast majority of the army got tired of being commanded by incompetents and overthrew the caliph. Khelog al'Bran retired to Constantinople and wrote epigrams for fortune cookies (which were not invented for another seven centuries). Allergicus Udderus did not mourn the loss overmuch. He never really understood wealth in camel herds (now if they had been cows...). And as for a religion that prohibited alcohol?! Well!! So he added another line in his resume and sailed off for greener pastures. As must we, gentle readers. We bid you adieu, and leave you with the revelation that the good thing about repeating you mistakes is that you always know when to cringe...



TIMON ΦΟΧΑΣ

Timon Phocas

Reports from the Udder Cow Herds

Unto all in Unser Hafen and all our loving friends from Windkeep, Hinterland, Caer Galen, Caerthe, Dragonsspine and Hawks Hollow we thank you for helping to make the Dún Bólacht Winter Arts College and Feast such a raging success (If I missed any group that was represented please let me know). This was our first Kingdom advertised event and as such was a requirement for our group here in Greeley to move from incipiency to a real Canton. We are still waiting for some of the heraldic paperwork to be processed but after that we will be eligible.

We all had a tremendous time here in Dún Bólacht and hope you all did too. I must make a special note here to thank those who pitched in to assist where needed, there were many, but the ones I saw in the kitchen were Sir Titus, Lord Günther, Lady Tehri, and our own Lady Ceindrych. Those also in our group that went beyond the call of duty were the Feast-o-carats Master Garwed and lady Elszebet, their assistant M'lady Amice, my assistant M'lady Anne Matthews, M'lady Melanthe, M'lord Radu, M'lord Timon, M'lord Scott, M'lady Tanya, M'lady Sheela, and M'lady Darya. We must also thank those who were gracious enough to teach all of our classes and especially Lord Francis who took over a class when a teacher was forced to be late. Everyone from our little group of cattle herders worked hard to put on our first event so that it went off very well. Dún Bólacht's goal was that everyone have a good time and we came very close to achieving that very thing. Huzzah!

Congratulations to our deer friend, a gentle who helped to build our group in the very beginning, Lord Kadon who received his Award of Arms at Dún Bólacht's first event's court. Another Huzzah!

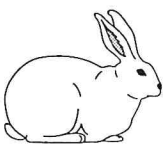
And we must close this missive with the acknowledgment of our greatest resources, the children in the SCA. Without them we have no future to build. Our young people were a major part of our gathering's impetus and the structure of our first event here in Dún Bólacht. M'lady Ariel was very helpful throughout the day, M'lady Jenna was also an excellent assistant (as well as doing a wonderful job on the Lovely Lady Lughbec in the play!). The good gentles who played in the boffer tourney all deserve recognition for their valor and courtesies learned. And a special thank you to Sir Titus and Baroness Branwyn, Lord Hiro and all of the most excellent young gentles who put on that fabulous Satyrical Play. Great acting....Huzzah! Fantastic art work...Huzzah! Surreal writing technique...Huzzah!

After speaking with all of those good gentles brave enough to sacrifice themselves to become Baroness and Baron of Unser Hafen, I wish to note now that I have never known of a group of more loving and qualified persons to take on such responsibilities. There was not one person whom those of us in Dún Bólacht did not feel would have made an excellent choice. It is so encouraging to know we have such a wealth of quality people at hand to assist us in our growth and nurturing for the future of Unser Hafen and of Dún Bólacht.

In closing...(yeah!) please note the front of the Tosspot for April 16, (mundane birthday party for the month of April...come as you are...or should wish others to view you!)

In Service to the Dream,

Lughbec ni Eoin



Bleetings & Cow Mutations.....

Unto the populace of Unser Hafen from the herald of Dún Bólacht, deputy to the heralds of Unser Hafen.

Herewith be my report for the first two bits of the year.

New Submissions

Sheela Marcq	Name and Device
Amice de Fayel	Name

Being the new submissions constitute my first submission this concludes my report.

conchobhar Pursuivant Extraordinary for Dún Bólacht

That sir which serves and seeks for gain,
And follows but for form,
Will pack when it begins to rain,
And leave thee in the storm.
But I will tarry; the fool will stay,
And let the wise man fly:
The knave turns fool that runs away;
The fool no knave, perdy.

Wm. Shakespere

Dún Bólacht Winter Arts Collegium Lost and Found

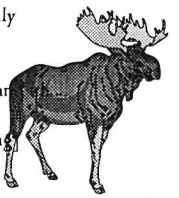
2 gold-colored linen napkins
1 pair blue-handled scissors
2 silver-colored mugs, 1 glass bottom, 1 solid
6 pieces miscellaneous silverware

If you have lost these items, please call

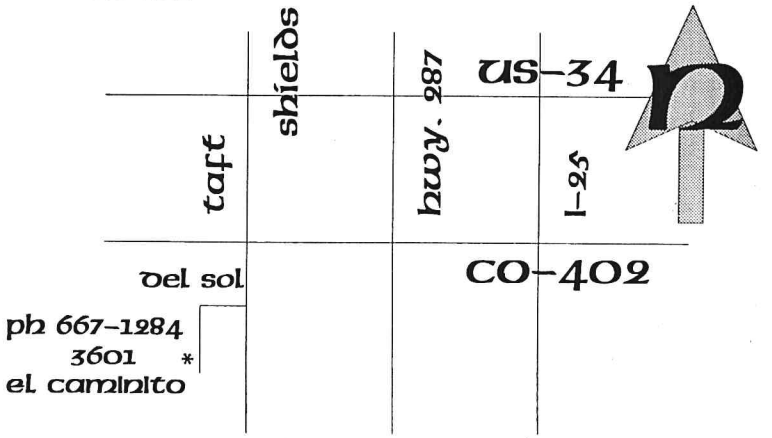
Amice de Fayel 352-3265

GUARD: I don't want to talk to you no more, you empty headed animal food trough whopper! I fart in your general direction! You mother was a hamster and your father smelt of elderberries!
GALAHAD: Is there someone else up there we could talk to?
GUARD: No, now go away or I shall taunt you a second time-a!
ARTHUR: Now, this is your last chance. I've been more than reasonable.
GUARD: (Fetch-a da mush.) wha?
GUARD: (Fetch-a da mush!) [moo]
ARTHUR: If you do not agree to my commands, then I shall - [twong] [mooooooo] Jesus Christ! Right! Charge!
ALL: Charge! [mayhem]
GUARD: Ah, this one is for your mother! [twong]
ALL: Run away!
GUARD: Thpbpbpbt!
LAUNCELOT: Fiends! I'll tear them apart!
ARTHUR: No no, no.
BEDEMIR: Sir! I have a plan, sir.
[later] [chop]
[rumble rumble squeak]

MUTTERING GUARDS: ce labon a bunny do wha? un codoo? a present! oh, un codoo. oui oui hurry! wha-? Let's go! [rumble rumble squeak]
ARTHUR: What happens now?
BEDEMIR: Well, now, uh, Launcelot, Galahad, and I wait until nightfall, and then leap out of the rabbit, taking the French by surprise - not only by surprise, but totally unarmed!
ARTHUR: Who leaps out?
BEDEMIR: Uh, Launcelot, Galahad, and I. Uh, leap out of the rabbit, uh ar
ARTHUR: Oh....
BEDEMIR: Oh.... Um, I-look, if we built this large wooden badger - [twong]
ALL: Run away! Run away! Run away! Run away! [splat]
GUARDS: Oh, haw haw haw.



The previous excerpt was taken from an email source and is printed here to fill space and for amusement. It is from "Monty Python and the Holy Grail" transcribed by an anonymous source. Swedish mooses forever!



map for april guild gathering

APRIL GUILD GATHERING

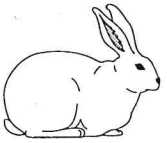
On April 9, please plan to participate in a work/play day which will focus on preparing for the tourney/camping season. There will be smithing, armoring, and work on archery equipment, plus The Honorable Lady Llamrei and Lord Sean will give a class on field heraldry. Activities are not limited to the above; bring something to work on and come share the day with friends.

The time is 10AM until the last person leaves. The location is the home of Lord Thorfinn and THL Rosalind in Loveland - see map P215 There will be a mid-afternoon meal provided with a stew plus whatever attendees bring to share - so bring a food item, your feast gear, and your work or play projects. (Sir Titus will assure there are war games to be enjoyed - on gaming boards.) We look forward to seeing you there!

Boy Scout Demo

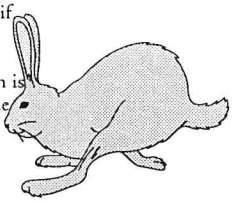
The Barony has been asked to give a demo for the Boy Scouts on April 30th at Ben DeLatour Boy Scout Ranch near Red Feather Lakes. At the present time I do not have a starting time available however I will find that out and pass that information on to anyone who might wish to contact me. I would like the main emphasis to be on courtesy and chivalry with hopefully a strong showing of Arts and Sciences. All fighters (rattan and fencers) are encouraged to attend and display their skills. My hope is that we may leave a long lasting positive impression of fun and fair play to prospective new members of the not to distant future.

Contact:
Tracker
568-9932
evenings after 5:00 PM



Blacksmithing Guild

The Blacksmithing Guild is having regular open smithing once each month, sometimes on the second Saturday. Meetings will alternate between Thorfinn's, Garwed's and Tamlene's. Please inquire if directions are needed.



Meetings will begin at 9:30 and end when we are tired. Instruction is available. Bring safety goggles, gloves, and old clothes (mundane work clothes recommended unless you have suitable garb).

No level of skill is needed, just some enthusiasm!

April's Blacksmithing will be at the Guild Gathering at Thorfinn and Rosalind's

Tamlene ap Guidgen, Guildmaster	663-1513
Thorfinn Greybeard	667-1284
Master Garwed Cadburiensis	353-8456

Crown Tournament

April 2-3

Unto one and all in the Outlands, greetings! The Shire of Gleann Medonach is proud to host the Spring Crown Tournament in April. The event will be held at the Bottomless Lakes State Park, Roswell, New Mexico. The site fee will be $10.00 per member and $12.00 per non-member for the weekend. We must charge an additional $5.00 per RV hookup. There will be a feast with space for a maximum of 150 people at $5.00 each. The feast will include a whole roasted beef. Reservations for the feast are due no later then March 28. Please make checks payable to: SCA-Shire Gleann Medonach.

The site will have running water, shower facilities, limited barbeque facilities, pets are permitted on leashes only, Since the site is a state park, the consumption of alcohol is strictly forbidden by law. There also is a 10:00 p.m. noise curfew.

Directions: To Roswell; take Hwy. 280 from the north or south; Hwy. 70 from the northeast; Hwy. 70 and Hwy.280 from the west. To Bottomless Lakes State Park from Roswell; take Hwy. 380 east. Exit at the Park turn-off. Take the right fork and follow the road six miles to the Lea Lake Recreation Center. Follow SCA signs.

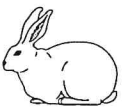
Schedule of Events:

Friday, April 1	5:00 p.m.-- Site Opens
Saturday, April 2	10:00 a.m.-- Lists open
	11:00 a.m.-- Crown Tournament begins
	6:00 p.m.-- Court

The feast will begin immediately following court.
The auction and bardic will follow the feast.

Sunday, April 3	9:00 a.m.-- Peer Circles
	11:00 a.m.-- Opening Court

Warlord and Fencing tournament immediately following court.
Closing court held immediately following the Warlord Tournament.



We will need help with the troll both, water bearing, and feast serving. For more information, reservation, or volunteering contact the Autocrats below:

Autocrat: Lord Wolfganus MhicMairghdin (David Martin), 16 B Street, Roswell NM 88201, (505) 347-5781
Co-Autocrat: Lord Coamh Beaghan Crubach (Ben Clark), 408 E. Forth Street, Roswell NM 88201, (505) 623-4531

University of Caerthe

Our next University will be a melodious one as Mistress Liobsynde Belhringere presents: "Music in the Burgundian Court." Things were not going well elsewhere in the time from 1365 to 1475 (the Hundred Years Was, Guillaume Dufay, Guillaume de Mashaut and other great m ciams were composing and performing their works in the court of a strong Burgundy. In addition to the playing some of their music, she will present us with a view of one of the most extravagant and enlightened courts in Period Europe.

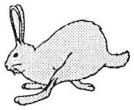
We will meet at 7:30 P.M. on the fourth Wednesday of the month, April 27, at the home of Amelia von Altburg - 9901 East Evans Avenue, #28D, Denver. All are encouraged to attend. Period garb is optional, but appreciated. For furthur information, call Lady Amelia, 750-0180, or Master Robin Vinehall, 445-5004. If you live in Dragonspine, you can call Mistress Liobsynde, 520-9838.

Sworded Affair-the Interkingdom Affair

April 16-17,1994

Attention all fighters, both rapier and heavy weapons, this event will host a minimum of four tourneys, plus a series of melees for the strong at heart! The day will be followed by an evening of wining, dining, silly sword games, and dancing. A fyne feast will be offered, and the following day there will be again more fighting! This event is to be held at the Duck Pond at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque.

Autocrat: Lady Shinar le Fey (Diane McDermott),
1711 Dietz Place NW, Albuquerque NM 87107 (505) 343-8830.



The Grand Outlandish Medieval Tournament

On Sunday Morning, the 29th of May, a Most Noble Tournament will be held in the Barony of Al-Barran at the Glorious Grand Outlandish! All Royal Peers, Knights, Masters of Arms, Peers, Barons, Defenders of the Stag's Blood, squires and men at arms are invited to fight in a *Grand Melee* wearing Crests and accompanied by Retainers. This is the first in a series of Announcements to be sent forth with requirements. A full description of what is needed will be presented in the April and May Issues of this Letter. Initially, though, to carry off the Melee (and impress the judges), a standard banner with your arms, tabards for your retainers, and a crest on your helm suitable for combat, are worthy accoutrements. The crest is NOT a target, and it should be as real as possible. The effort will be well rewarded as the prizes for this tournament will be *truly* medieval.

Still, we request your help. If you're interested in making a small bit of history, please call Jalut (303) 665-7796, or send him a letter at 480 West Street, Louisville, CO 80027

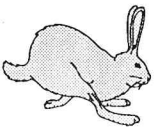
THE DRAGONSSPINE ARMORERS

& Clothiers Collegium
April 23&24

Join the Barony of Dragonsspine for its AS XXVIII Amorers & Clothiers Collegium. We will be offering classes, discussions, and space to work on a wide variety of projects. Please bring any informative or fun books to look at, projects to show off, knowledge, and questions you may have to help enrich this two day Collegium.

On Saturday afternoon, the Armorers of Hose Drekheim will be providing a chili and bread lunch. This will be a mildly spiced chili with a Special Red Dragon Sauce on the side for the brave. No beverages will be provided with the lunch.

Saturday night the attendants of the Collegium are all invited to wander *en masse* to a very fine, medium priced, local restaurant for a whopping good time.



Planned Armoring Events- Sword blade forging from scratch.
Metal finishing & plenishing
Fencing armor theory and practice
Planned Clothier Events- Heraldic display in the SCA
Beyond ye olde T-tunic

Please note that we would be honored to accommodate any artisans who have a desire to impart any precious knowledge that they may possess! Just let us know what you would like to do and we'll help you do it.

SITE FEE- $4.00 gets you in and gets you the chili lunch. Children under 12 years are FREE.

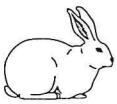
DIRECTIONS- In Dragonsspine take Exit 141 west toward Manitou Springs. Turn LEFT at the first stoplight (8th street). Go about a quarter mile and turn LEFT at Abbot Ln (watch for the HUMANE SOCIETY sign). Proceed about a hundred yards and look left- there we are! SCA signs with arrows will be posted beginning at the 8th Street stoplight.

SITE INFORMATION- The site will open at 10am Saturday morning and close Sunday night at 6pm. The Barony of Dragonsspine will provide a port-a-potty for the duration of the weekend. Water and electricity are available. Those planning to bring pets should be aware that our next door neighbor is the Pikes Peak Humane Society, and there is a leash law. There will be some shade pavilions provided, but more can be put to use. There are shade trees as well. Please note that this is an outdoor event, and no provision has been made for foul weather. This is a residential area so NO CAMPING IS ALLOWED, contact us for crash space info. This site is wet.

ADDITIONAL INFO- Saturday night - approximately $10 per person. Please make reservations with the autocrats by April 1. We need an approximate count for the Restaurant.

LOCATION & AUTOCRAT INFORMATION

Armoring Info & Site Location
Lord Tiegr, Perry Rogers
695 South 8th Street #55
Colorado Springs, CO 80905
(719) 630-8332



Clothiers & Crash space Info
Lady Lyssa, Maggie Griggs
3652 Queen Anne Way
Colorado Springs, CO 80909
(719) 550-1809

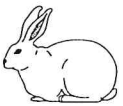
Coronation

May 7-8

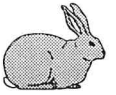
The Shire of Scorpion's Hollow is pleased to announce that it will be hosting the Spring Coronation this May. The site is beautiful Ned Houk Park, about 10 miles north of Clovis, NM on Hwy. 29. This is a camping event with lots of trees for shade and open spaces for fighting. The site fee is $8.00 for non-members, $5.00 for members. Children 5 and under are free, 6-16 pay 25 cents per year of age.

On Saturday night a scrumptious feast will be served for a fee of $7.00 (children 5 and under are free, 6-16 pay half). The deadline for feast reservations is April 15th. Seating under the bandshell is limited, so reserve early. Please address all dietary resrictions and other special needs to the Autocrats when making your reservations. running water is available on site (but no showers). The site is discreetly wet. Pets are welcome but must be controlled at all times. The site will be open at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 6th.

Please make all checks payable to: SCA-Scropions Hollow. For additional information, and/or reservations call or write. Autocrat: Lady Kaylin Tamashi (linda Hopkins), 1340 San Felipe Court, Portales NM 88130, (505) 359-2713 Co-Autocrat: m'lord Richard (Richard Williams), 1433 Lexington, Clovis NM 88101, (505) 763-4377 (anytime except Tuesday morning).



Baronial All-Thing



July 22-24, 1994
Walsenburg (Or there abouts.)

This event is a gathering of all five Baronies, to explore and revel in out cultural diversities and similarities.

Our Barony will be responsible for putting together an event and taking it on the road. His Excellency will be organizing our end of the fighting.

We need volunteers for EVERYTHING...trolls, marshals, water bearers, etc...

Do you want to merchant there?

Would you like our Barony to have it's own Arts and Sciences display?

Would you like to help our portion of the feast, of breakfast on Sunday morning?

Our contribution to this event will only be as good as we make it.

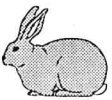
There will be MUCH more information to come.

If you have ANY questions or suggestions please call me.

Lady Medhbh O'Duibhdabhoireann
Teresa Sherwin
Unser Hafen Baronial Liaison for
the All-Thing
(303) 568-7907

Brigands Bizarre VI

May 27-29, 1994



Aedhan and Medhbh...The Next Generation. The saga of the brigands versus the Merchants once again continues in the Barony of Unser Hafen, Memorial weekend 1994.

Sir Haroun and Lady Dovita have graciously given us many of the 'toys' from Bizarres past, (including the bridge). In keeping with previous events fighting will be random draw, with many new scenarios including resurrections. We are hoping to have a new castle.

Site fee is $7.00 per person (1/2 price 8-14) and includes a two night stay on Pawnee Grasslands. Make checks payable to SCA-Barony of Unser Hafen. (We sill have a troll.) Site opens at 4:00 PM on Friday night and closes at 4:00 PM Sunday. As always rain will be held in lieu of bardic on Saturday night.

The feast is compliments of Lady Thereasa die Tanzerin. Feast fee is $3.00 per person and every single person must bring a side dish that will feed at least 6 starving fighters, (children under 14 feast free).

Fires must be contained above ground with the exception of the indoor/outdoor fire pit.

Since we share this site with mundane campers, the Forest Service has asked us to adhere to the following restrictions:

1. DOGS MUST BE LEASHED AT ALL TIMES and must not be allowed to bark. We are asking people not to leave dogs unattended.

2. The site is very wet, has permanent non-flush toilets and lots of running water (very hard to catch), HOWEVER, WATER CANNOT BE USED DIRECTLY OUT OF THE FAUCETS. Since we are sharing this site the water is for ALL campers not just SCA.

3. We will have a 10:00 PM noise curfew each night, this includes late arrivals. So if you plan to arrive after 10:00 PM, please keep the noise

These rules are firm, violations could result in your being asked to leave the site.

There will be lots of fighting, lots of prizes and lots of food. Lord Thorfinn Greybeard will be in charge of the target archery. Lord tracker will be doing an adult quest after the feast on Saturday.

We will be holding a drawing with the names of those who volunteer in any capacity.

** All archers who wish to compete in combat must be armored and authorized to fight. **

You don't need a reservation. Do I-25 to Exit 269-A (near Unser Hafen). Go east on Highway 14 (past Ault) to Mile Marker 176, hang a left not even a 1/4 mile and turn left. Look for the reremouse (bat) crossing.

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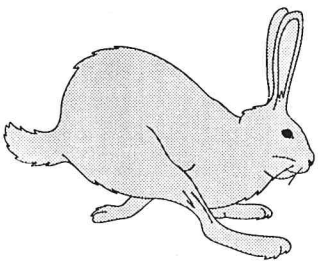

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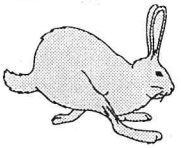

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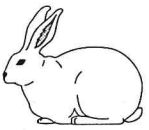


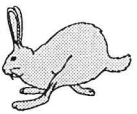
Upcoming Events

Meetings are held after Dance Practice at the Downtown Perkins resturant. This month on April 11 & 25.

April 1 10 AM - 2 PM Demo at CSU. Pan is organizinig this. If you get your Tosspot before Friday and wish to join us just let Pan know.

Time Enough to Dance

Eternity passes in a winking,
And children watch their children growing old,
Ripened before the summer breeze turns cold;
The wine of youth aged sweet for drinking.
The seasons melt like sacred, perfumed candles,
Spring, summer, autumn, winter again--
The winter that hangs ornaments of pain
Upon the spindled boughs and granite mantles.
But then, the vernal eyes and verdant hands
Reclaim the altars of the barren lands,
And Ra resumes his vigil in the sky
Until the leaves are bronzed, released, and fly.
But still, throughtout this game of hope and chance,
Remember, always, there is time to dance.



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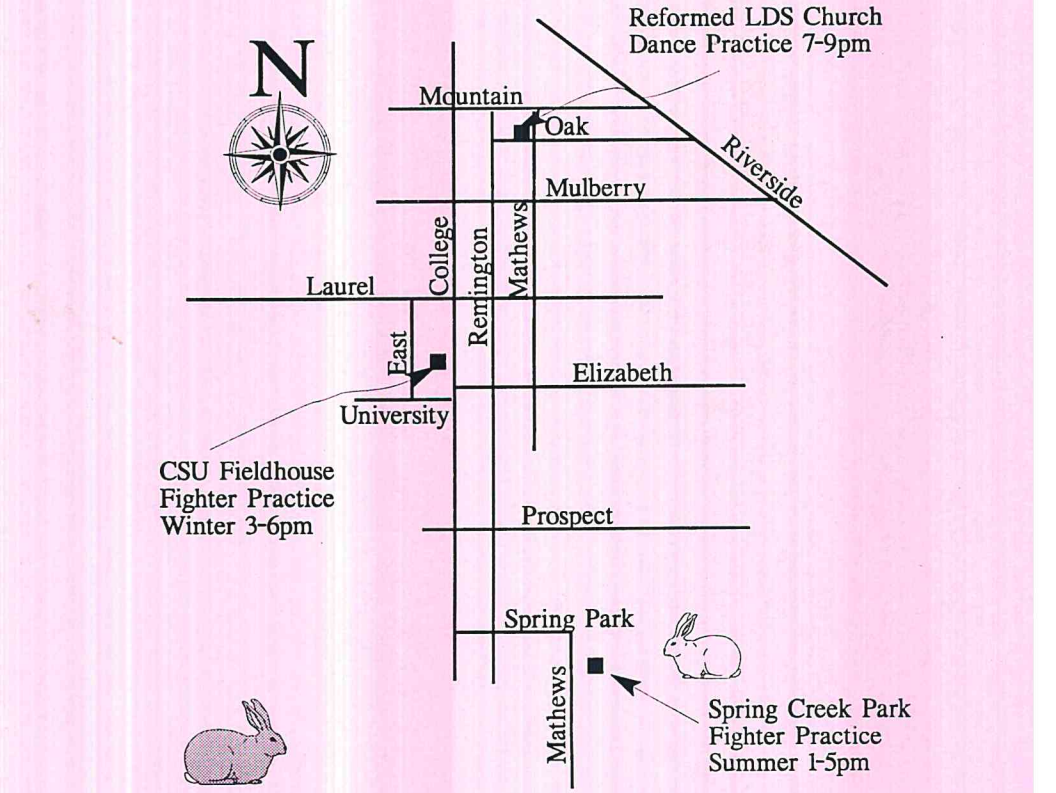
Unser Hafen Regular Events

Fighter Practice is moving outside to Spring Creek Park for the Summer. The hours are 1 PM to 5 PM. Spectators are welcome. If you have an idea for an activity that involves non cambatants, contact Lord Tuman or THL Tereasa to clear your idea. We continue to ask for donations so that when we again must move indoos for the winter months we have the funds on hand.

Dance Practice the first half hour (7-7:30) will be spent on teaching basic dance steps and running through the dances to be learned. Request dances will have no formal instruction. We are limited to the gym, the large tiled room, the kitchen, and the bathrooms. All other portions of the building are off limits.

Archery Practice is ~~1-3 2pm on Sundays~~ 5-7 Thursdays If the weather looks questionable call Rosalind. Call her if you need directions as well.



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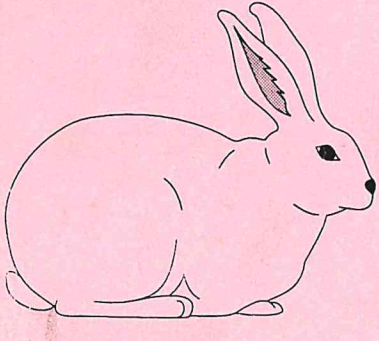

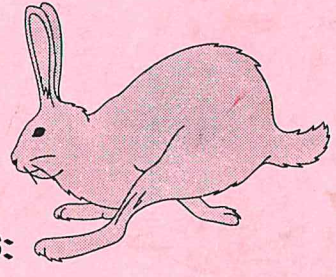

famous quotes:

sir kevin - "I don't like tepid tea!"